

HARD BLOWS  
BUT IN VAIN

The Germans Hurl Great Forces Against British in Ypres Sector

IN EXCEEDINGLY  
SEVERE FIGHTING

British War Office Reports British Are Holding Fast

London, Sept. 27.—The fighting yesterday afternoon and evening along the front of the new British attack in the Ypres sector was exceedingly severe, says today's official statement. The Germans made four vain counter-attacks in great strength.

British front in France and Belgium, Sept. 27 (By the Associated Press).—The British are maintaining their new line strongly. The main battle to-day was in the neighborhood of Cameron house, south of the eastern extremity of Polygon wood, where the Australians are pressing the Germans hard. The situation as a whole is unchanged. Northwest of Zonnebeke heavy fighting continues in the region of elevations which dominate a considerable extent of territory. From a British standpoint, the situation resulting from the new offensive is exceedingly satisfactory.

## BATTLE SIX MILES LONG.

Field Marshal Haig Makes Report on Wednesday's Assault.

London, Sept. 27.—In an attack along a six-mile front yesterday, the British troops captured an important position around Tower Hamlets and strong German field works, Field Marshal Haig reported last night. Powerful resistance was offered by the Germans throughout the day, and they delivered many strong counter-attacks. "But," says the British commander, "our operations were entirely successful." The text of the statement reads:

"Our attack this morning was delivered on a total front of nearly six miles from south of Tower Hamlets to east of St. Julien. Our operations were entirely successful."

"Later in the day the enemy delivered a series of heavy counter-attacks along our new front, resulting in hard fighting, which is still continuing at certain points."

"South of the Ypres-Menin road an attack carried out by English troops successfully completed the capture of the Tower Hamlets spur and gained possession of strong German field works on its eastern slopes, which formed our objectives."

"A powerful counter-attack in the direction of Hellenvuut was repulsed."

"On the right of main attack north of the Ypres-Menin road, our troops met an obstinate resistance and heavy fighting took place in the areas across which the enemy counter-attacked Tuesday. After a severe struggle lasting throughout the greater part of the day, English and Scottish battalions drove the enemy from his positions and accomplished the task allotted to them of securing the flank of our principal attack."

"In their advance our troops relieved two companies of Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders who had held out with great gallantry during the night in a forward position in which they had been isolated by the enemy's attack yesterday morning."

"In the afternoon the enemy delivered another counter-attack in great strength in this sector, where fierce fighting is still continuing."

"Further north Australian troops cleared the remainder of Polygon wood and captured a German trench system to the east of it, which formed their objectives for the day."

"On their left English, Scottish and Welsh battalions penetrated the enemy's defense to a depth of nearly a mile, stormed Zonnebeke and gained the line of their objectives."

GERMAN ATTACKS  
MOWED DOWN

Two Attempts Were Made on Chemois-Dames Last Night with Disastrous Results.

Paris, Sept. 27.—Two German attacks along Chemois-Dames were repulsed by the French last night, the war office announced to-day, and the Germans sustained heavy losses.

## BRITISH LOSS SMALLER.

Aggregate Was Lowest Since U-Boat Campaign Started.

London, Sept. 27.—Thirteen British merchantmen of 1600 tons and over and two vessels of less than 1600 tons were sunk by mines or submarines last week, according to the weekly admiralty statement issued last evening. In the aggregate this is the smallest number of vessels sunk during any one week since Germany began her intensified submarine warfare last February.

Two fishing vessels also were sunk last week.

The smallest aggregate of vessels sunk in any previous week since the February undersea campaign was inaugurated by Germany was 16-14 merchantmen of 1600 tons and over and two of less than 1600 tons. This was during the week ending Aug. 12.

Last week the admiralty report showed 25 merchantmen sunk—eight of more than 1600 tons and 17 of less tonnage.

The Innocent Bystander.

"Mike, darlint, shure an' it's our golden wedding to-morrow. Shall we kill th' pig?"

"Th' pig is ut! An' phwat's the pig got to do wid phwat happened 50 years ago?"—Casell's Saturday Journal.

ALLIES ARE WEARING  
GERMANY DOWN

But the Big Strike Will Not Come Until the Forces of the United States Are Placed in Field, Says Secretary Baker.

Washington, Sept. 27.—The American government's first official statement concerning military operations in Europe was issued last night by Secretary Baker, inaugurating a series which in time will be devoted largely to activities of the United States expeditionary forces. It says that while ascendancy on the west front has passed definitely to the allies, they are content merely to wear down the enemy until the force of the American army makes itself felt in the field.

Operations for the week ending Sept. 22 are reviewed by Mr. Baker, without reference to the American force now in France.

The statement follows:

"The secretary of war authorizes the following statement dealing with military activities in Europe for the week ending Sept. 22:

"As the time draws near when military operations on a large scale on the west front must come to a standstill, owing to the approach of winter, it becomes evident that the enemy does not feel himself in a position to undertake the much advertised offensive action so often boasted of at home during the past summer, in order to end the war victoriously by Christmas."

"It may be stated affirmatively that the ascendancy in the west has passed definitely to the allies, although the latter are content by tactics of attrition to wear down the enemy, giving no rest or respite until such a time as the force of our army may make itself felt in the field."

"The week just closed has been one of increased activity on the part of the allies on the western front, and may be taken as a prelude of what the enemy is to expect next spring."

"Beginning with desultory artillery fire along a broad front, which gradually narrowed down to an intense bombardment along what is known as the Anzac ridge, about one mile southwest of Zonnebeke, southward through Nun's wood to the Ypres-Menin road, the British increased their artillery preparation to a density hitherto unattained."

"The early days of the week were marked by wet, foggy weather, making artillery observation difficult and any offensive undertaking almost impossible."

"The weather having cleared by Thursday, Sept. 20, the British launched their attack. The infantry advance was preceded by a barrage of greater depth and intensity than has ever before been undertaken in any engagement during the course of the war. Five distinct curtains of fire were stretched ahead of the men as they began to advance through No Man's land."

"In spite of the desperate resistance of the enemy, whose lines were protected by concrete dugouts scattered over a wide area and deep mud holes which impeded the attacking infantry, the British were able to gain important tactical positions."

"In the face of six counter-attacks pushed home vigorously by the enemy, the British remained in full possession of the captured objectives which they still hold."

"In other sectors where busily engaged in breaking down the enemy resistance in Flanders the Germans attempted minor diversions along the French line, particularly northeast of Nancy, which were repulsed."

"East of Craonne the French artillery broke up an attempted German attack, while French detachments penetrated German trenches, destroyed dugouts, and brought back prisoners in the region of Godat."

"The week has witnessed great activity in the air. During two days French bombing expeditions dropped 33,000 pounds of projectiles on enemy territory, including the barracks and factories at Stuttgart and the aviation camp at Colmar, as well as bases south of Metz."

"One of the significant incidents of the week, as demonstrating the increased importance of aircraft, is reported by the British. An aeroplane dispersed a battalion of enemy infantry by turning its machine gun on the men as they were proceeding along a highway in the rear."

"Along the Italian front the active operations of the preceding week have come to a temporary stop. The victorious Italian armies are resting after the great efforts of having conquered the Monte San Gabriele."

"The Austrians attempted several strong counter-attacks against the Bain-Saint-Jean plateau, all of which were repulsed."

"Reports to hand indicate that the Austrians have made use of 20% divisions during the recent Italian assault along the Carso front, holding only one division in reserve."

"Advices from Russia indicate that fighting continues in the northern sector. Late reports show that the Germans are continuing their offensive and now are threatening Dvinsk."

"The Dvinsk has been crossed 25 miles southeast of Jacobstadt, and this fortress, which has been evacuated by the Russians, has fallen into the hands of the enemy."

"Though a wide breach in this front may seriously endanger the Russian line, it must be recalled that German advance must come to an end, owing to the lateness of the season."

"News from Russia is delayed, but indications are that the Russian resistance is stiffening."

"Along the Rumanian front no important action has taken place. Scouting expeditions are reported, with occasional artillery duels."

"In the valley of the Suchitza, after a prolonged artillery preparation, the Rumanians attacked and occupied certain enemy fortified positions. Counter attacks by the enemy were repulsed."

"There has been no change in the situation along other fronts."

## THE ITALIAN LOSS.

One Steamship of Large Size and Several Smaller Vessels.

Rome, Sept. 26, (delayed).—One steamship of more than 1600 tons and six sailing vessels of less than 100 tons each were sunk last week by submarines or mines, according to the weekly report.

An Italian admiralty steamer was sunk outside Italian territorial waters. One steamship and one sailing vessel were damaged, but were able to reach port.

HE WILL NAME  
HIS SUSPECTS

Representative Heflin Reiterates His Willingness

HE WAS NOT REBUKED  
BY PRES. WILSON

The House Rules Committee Wants to Act on the Resolution

Washington, D. C., Sept. 27.—The House rules committee met to-day to act on resolutions calling for an investigation of the charges made against members by Representative Heflin of Alabama and others alleged to have been made by Representative Howard of Georgia in connection with the revelation that Von Bernstorff sought \$50,000 to influence Congress.

Heflin has reiterated his willingness to name to the investigating committee the men he declared acted suspiciously in connection with the war. Published reports that President Wilson had rebuked Heflin for his speech were formally denied to-day by Secretary Tamm.

RAILROAD TRACKS  
WERE BOMBED

British Seaplanes Made Several Direct Hits During Attack on German Military Establishments in Belgium.

London, Sept. 27.—British seaplanes again dropped many tons of bombs on German military establishments in Belgium Tuesday night, making several direct hits on railroad lines, says an official admiralty statement. All the machines returned safely.

BENNETT LEADS  
BY 314 VOTES

Earlier Reports of New York Primary Gave Republican Nomination to Mayor Mitchell.

New York, Sept. 27.—A canvass of the votes cast at the Republican primary last week shows that William M. Bennett was leading Mayor Mitchell this morning with 314 votes. Earlier reports of the primary result gave Mitchell a majority of approximately 1,200.

PRISONER TRIED SUICIDE  
Wanted to Die Because He Thought a Lot of His Family.

Rutland, Sept. 27.—Because he "thought a lot of his family" and his situation preyed on his mind so that he was about crazy or something of the kind, John W. Rivers of 144 Liberty avenue, who was sentenced to the house of correction Aug. 11 for breach of the peace, by way of beating his 5-year-old daughter, yesterday afternoon attempted to commit suicide by hanging himself by a belt to the door of his cell. He was found by a guard in an apparently unconscious condition but after being placed on a cot for a few moments recovered himself. Dr. F. H. Gehardt was called and found no cause for treatment, and Rivers ate his supper as usual.

The attempt was made between 3 and 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Rivers was one of two gangs which are working alternately for a few days while the marble shop is being cleared out and prepared for a shirt factory and there is not enough work for all of the men all of the time.

## SUPT. BARSS RESIGNS.

Vergennes Man Accepts Position in Quebec Institution.

Vergennes, Sept. 27.—Announcement was made yesterday that J. N. Barss had presented to Commissioner of State Institutions John E. Weeks of Middlebury his resignation as superintendent of the state industrial school here, to take a position as superintendent of the boys' home at Shawbridge, Que. Mr. Barss will leave with his family the latter part of October and will assume his new duties Nov. 1. Mr. Barss became superintendent of the school at Vergennes ten years ago last August.

The boys' home is the outgrowth of the juvenile court of Montreal, and was established about nine years ago. The board of trustees is composed of about 20 men of prominence, and their ambition is to develop an efficient plant for the regeneration and right training of boys who have been deprived of a right home influence.

## CALLED TO LUDLOW.

Rev. Alvin M. Smith Is Expected to Accept.

Ludlow, Sept. 27.—The Universalist parish at this place has extended a call to Rev. Alvin M. Smith of Stowe to be pastor of the parish beginning Oct. 1, and it is expected he will accept. Mr. Smith is a native of Williamstown, a graduate of Goddard seminary, Barre, and of St. Lawrence university theological school at Canton, N. Y.

With the exception of one brief pastorate in Maine his entire ministry has been spent in Vermont. He has three times been pastor of the Universalist church at Williamstown, twice at Concord and has been pastor at East Calais and at Stowe. For several years he was secretary and superintendent of the Universalist convention of Vermont and the Province of Quebec.

Mr. Smith is married and has two sons, John, an expert chemist, who has recently enlisted in government service, and Percy, a student at Tufts college. Mrs. Smith is treasurer of the Women's Universalist Missionary association of Vermont and Quebec.

NEWPORT OFFICER  
SHOT TO DEATH

Joseph Manogue Victim of Alien About to Be Deported—Immigration Officer D. J. McDermott Badly Wounded.

Newport, Sept. 27.—Angered because he had been ordered deported to Canada, Robert J. Priddy of Quebec opened fire with a revolver upon Daniel J. McDermott, a federal immigration officer, and J. P. Manogue, a police officer, yesterday afternoon. Manogue fell dead with a bullet in his head and McDermott was seriously injured, having wounds in his abdomen and wrist.

The shooting occurred in the office of the Newport house. A traveling salesman was slightly injured by a bullet as he rushed with other hotel guests to overpower Priddy. The latter was locked up pending an inquest.

A son of Manogue is a member of the new national army and is stationed at Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass.

According to witnesses of the attack Manogue, notwithstanding his fatal wound, clung to Priddy and, exclaiming, "I'm dying, somebody help me," succeeded in throwing him off the floor. The next instant Manogue fell dead while bystanders grappled with Priddy and wrestled away the revolver.

Priddy was taken by immigration officers from a train from Sherbrooke, P. Q., last Monday and arrangements had been made to deport him yesterday as an undesirable alien. He said that his home was in Birmingham, Eng., but at the hotel where he was allowed to stay under surveillance, he registered from Quebec.

In jail the prisoner refused to say anything about himself except that he was a tool maker by trade. In his handbag the officers found \$100 in cash and a passbook from a Montreal bank. Films from a camera which had been developed and examined immediately.

WAS WELL KNOWN IN BURLINGTON  
Officer Manogue Was Special Officer in That City.

Burlington, Sept. 27.—Joseph P. Manogue, who was shot and killed in Newport yesterday afternoon, was at the local station calling on friends last week. He came to this city by automobile with a party from Newport.

Mr. Manogue was a resident of this city for several years, and served as a special policeman under Mayor Burke. He was also appointed a special by Mayor Jackson last Spring, and after doing duty here for two months, went to Newport. In 1916 he did traffic duty in Windsor for a short time.

The news of the shooting of Mr. Manogue was conveyed to Deputy Chief of Police Cosgriff by telephone from Sheriff James H. Allen at his home in Essex Junction early last evening.

The dead officer is survived by a wife, a married daughter and a son, all of whom reside in Danvers, N. Y.

Dr. B. H. Stone went last night to Newport to perform an autopsy on the body.

Although no arrangement for the funeral had been contemplated last evening, it was thought by friends of the man in this city that the body would be buried in the Catholic cemetery at Winooski.

## TRYING AUTO SUIT.

Ida M. Noyes, Passenger, Sued Glenn Rowell of South Royalton.

Burlington, Sept. 27.—All day yesterday in Chittenden county court was taken up with the jury case of Ida M. Noyes vs. Glenn Rowell an action in tort for the recovery of damages for injuries received while the plaintiff was riding in the defendant's car. The case was begun Tuesday afternoon. It will probably continue through the day to-day.

The attorneys for the plaintiff are R. E. Brown and T. E. Hopkins. V. A. Bullard and C. P. Cowles represent the defendant.

The plaintiff continued her case yesterday morning by calling the defendant to the stand. His examination was conducted by Mr. Brown. The defendant testified that he was in the livery business in the town of South Royalton, and that he kept teams and two automobiles for hire. His testimony showed that on Aug. 19, 1916, he received a call to bring two ladies from Tunbridge to South Royalton. These two ladies were the plaintiff and her sister.

The witness then questioned about the general lay of the land in the vicinity of the accident, and his familiarity with it by traveling over it often in both directions. He testified that, as he drew near the point of the accident, he veered a little to the right to avoid a sandy place in the middle of the road. His wheels on that side began to sink in and he tried to get back into the road. Finding that he could not do this, and seeing that he was likely to go down into the stream below, he swung around so as to go front end first, rather than to take a chance of going over on the side. When the machine stopped, the front end of the car was in the stream and the rear end on the bank. The automobile was not seriously injured.

The witness testified that at the time he began to go down he was traveling at the rate of 15 to 20 miles an hour. He was not thrown out of the machine, but the two passengers in his car were thrown into the stream. The plaintiff's sister was not hurt beyond a general shaking up. The plaintiff herself was injured about the hip and shoulder and had a cut across the forehead, besides several bruises.

## GIVEN ANOTHER CHANCE

Chester Clark Said He Did Not Understand His Probation.

The case of Chester Clark, which was before Washington county court last week, was brought up again this morning by the assistant judge to the end that the mittimus was stayed and the youth was allowed another chance on probation. He left this afternoon for his home in Waterbury. It appeared that he did not make his reports and his claim was that he did not understand the matter.

The divorce case of Blanche Barford against Louis Barford, and Garrow against Garrow were heard this morning by the assistant judge. Mrs. M. Rosal of Barre was appointed administrator of the estate of the late J. E. Induni of Barre.

GREAT RUIN  
PREVENTED

By the Arrest of Over 100 Germans and German Sympathizers

PLAN TO DESTROY  
MUCH MACHINERY

Government Believes That Carborundum Was to Be Used

New York, Sept. 27.—Plans to wreck the machinery in munitions making shops in America at the bidding of German agents in Europe are believed by the police to have been defeated through the arrests of about 100 Germans and German sympathizers in raids which began here last night and were continued to-day.

This forenoon the aliens, each guarded by a detective, were placed in automobile vans at police headquarters and left for Ellis island where, it was announced they would be interned, probably for the duration of the war. Nearly all the men arrested are mechanics. A number were employed in munitions plants and on navy contracts. In the possession of some were found quantities of pulverized carborundum, a substance used to destroy delicate machinery.

The men had been under surveillance for many months, according to the police. Suspicion is held that the carborundum reached here from German agents in Scandinavian countries. A German courier in Norway, arrested some months ago with carborundum in his possession, admitted, according to police information, that he had been sending the substance to Germans in countries at war with Germany.

VERMONT'S AID  
IS INVOKED

Hoover Says the Nation Expects Vermont to Respond with Characteristic Sturdiness to Government's Appeal and Humanity's Cause.

Rutland, Sept. 27.—The patriotic meeting held under the auspices of the Greater Vermont association and the Vermont committee of public safety opened here this afternoon. Frederick H. Babbitt, president of the Greater Vermont association, presided. The address of welcome was given by Governor Graham, and an address was made by James M. Beck.

There was a large attendance from all over the state.

The following personal telegram to Governor Graham was read from the platform:

"Washington, D. C., Sept. 26, 1917. 'Honorable Horace F. Graham, 'Governor of Vermont, 'Montpelier, Vermont."

"By the campaign which your meeting to-day initiates, the people of the United States are to enlist themselves in a great cause of universal service, each household and each individual making some small sacrifice. World-wide interests are to be served; nations in distress are to be saved from starvation and the armed forces of our allies, holding for us the battle lines, are to be sustained by this campaign. We are to show that the steadfastness of a free people is more potent than imperial will. If we do not, then our faith in democracy cannot stand."

"The nation expects Vermont to respond with characteristic sturdiness to the government's appeal and humanity's cause."

(Signed) "Herbert Hoover."

## FOOD CONSERVATION.

The Washington County Committee Has Been Named.

Mrs. G. H. Smilie, who was appointed the chairman of the food conservation work in Washington county by Mrs. J. E. Weeks of Middlebury, the chairman of the women's work in Vermont, has announced the following appointments in this section as her assistants, who will meet in the conference in a few days:

Mrs. Pearl F. Blodgett, Montpelier; Mrs. James Young, East Montpelier; Mrs. L. D. Coburn, North Montpelier; Mrs. Frank Blomfield, Berlin; Mrs. Charles H. Chase, Worcester; Mrs. S. F. Howard, Northfield; Mrs. J. E. Goodenough and Mrs. Ralph Putnam, Middlesex; Mrs. W. F. Shepard, Barre City; Mrs. O. L. Martin, Plainfield; Mrs. A. T. Converse, Calais; Mrs. Vernon Wills, Cabot; Mrs. Charles Adams, Waterbury; Mrs. H. W. Brooks, Warren; Mrs. E. F. Palmer, Duxbury; Miss Florence Haylett, Moretown; Mrs. G. C. Grandfield, Fayston; Mrs. Edwin Jones, Waitsfield; and Miss Francis Drennan, Woodbury.

All of these are authorized to secure helpers in the work on food conservation. Mrs. Smilie's committee will work with the men's committee in the same locality from the public safety committee. Barre Town has been left open for the present.

BIG FRENCH LOSS  
OF MERCHANT SHIPS

Seven Vessels Over 1600 Tons and Five Under That Size Were Sunk During the Week.

Paris, Sept. 26, (delayed).—The French admiralty to-night announced the following losses by submarines or mines for the week ending Sept. 23: Over 1600 tons, seven; under 1600 tons, five. Three steamers were attacked unsuccessfully.

## ON LIBRARY COMMISSION.

Mrs. E. H. Crane of Brattleboro Named by Gov. Graham.

Gov. H. F. Graham to-day appointed Mrs. Ephraim H. Crane of Brattleboro as a member of the Vermont free public library commission, in place of Miss Fanny Fletcher, resigned.

The appointment is effective from this date. The successor of Miss Rebecca Wright, who has been secretary for several years, has not yet been announced.

In Between.

"One grandmother is she on your mother's or your father's side?"

"Well, sir, sometimes she takes both."

"Her part and sometimes father's, but generally she's pretty neutral!"—Passing Show.

VERMONT'S QUOTA  
MORE THAN FILLED

But Some Counties Have Not Reached the Required Number and Certification Will Continue.

The federal district board convened again Wednesday evening and during the evening's work certified to the adjutant-general and back to the local boards for war service 31 names, making a total of 1,069 certified, or 20 above the Vermont quota. Some of the counties are still below their quotas, which will be filled up as fast as the papers have matured, they having to lay in the district board's hands ten days before action can take place.

S. B. Waite of the Lamollee county board stated while here Wednesday that 25 more had been called in his county and that while they have their quota they have no alternates, so the additional number has been called for examination.

These were certified to the adjutant-general:

Franklin County.  
Henry A. Stearns, Highgate Center; Philip P. Labounty, 70 So. Main street, St. Albans; Joseph Goodroe, 17 Water street, St. Albans; Bruce J. Trombly, 17 Barlow street, St. Albans; William H. Kennett, Montgomery Center; Arthur Hebert, 9 Spruce street, St. Albans.

Rutland County, No. 1.

Alexander Franzoni, Rutland; John H. Phalen, West Rutland; Cleon A. Perkins, Rutland; Algut Osborn, Proctor; James A. Reardon, Rutland; Eben A. Matteson, Timmouthe; Stephen E. Connor, 12 Hopkins street, Rutland; Charles J. Dempsey, 94 Franklin street, Rutland; John Liso, Proctor; Edward D. Robinson, 54 Pleasant street, Rutland; Ross C. Holt, West Rutland; J. E. Trombly, Rutland; Joseph Kille, Florence; Peter G. Stone, Wallingford; Delmar F. Bonah, Worcester; Allan Hendrickson, Timmouthe; Richard B. Spaulding, Rutland; Henry F. Fagan, 90 East street, Rutland; Ervin E. Hinkley, Rutland; Frank C. Foster, River street, Rutland; John Rogers, Timmouthe; Roy H. Leonard, Rutland; Timothy F. Dwyer, Rutland; Theo M. Nichol, Proctor; Newman C. Wade, Rutland.

MANY TOWNS ARE  
HELPING SOLDIERS

By Raising Money in the "War Library Week" Campaign—Only Two Days Are Left for the Work.

Mrs. W. L. Wasson of Waterbury, who was appointed to take charge of the "war library week" campaign in Washington county, reports gratifying progress from many of the towns of the county, but she wishes to emphasize the need for hearty work during the two remaining days of the week. Appeals were sent to all the cities and towns of the county to collect funds for the soldiers' libraries, and up to this morning Mrs. Wasson had received assurances of support from Cabot, Northfield, Middlesex, Roxbury, Plainfield, Waterbury, Barre and Montpelier, while it was known that campaigns were being conducted in other places. On Sept. 24, Montpelier reported \$97.05 subscribed, and on Sept. 25 Barre reported \$38.05.

In many of the towns, the co-operation of the school children has been secured, and the young people are showing marked interest in the work under the direction of their teachers. The people of the county should bear in mind that the "war library week" closes with the end of September, and they should make their contributions at once.

## VOTING FOR DELEGATES.

To Represent Granite Cutters at Buffalo Convention.

Granitecutters of Barre, affiliated with the international association, showed a preponderance of sentiment for one of their own number, Joseph D. Will, corresponding secretary of the local union, in the ballot for international delegates to the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor. The ballot was taken at the union headquarters in the Seapoint block Wednesday from 4 to 8 p. m. and the returns are as follows: Joseph D. Will of Barre, 321; J. J. Sweeney of New York, 18; A. J. Snow of Milford, Mass., 15; James Ritchie of Cape Ann, Mass., 8; Alex. W. Russell of Quincy, Mass., 240; Romeo Magne of Montpelier, 25; James Garvey of Kingston, N. Y., 4; Thomas F. Cotter of Piqua, O., 4; R. A. Brown of Concord, N. H., 31; C. S. Alford of Wausau, Wis., 4.

The granitecutters' association is entitled to two delegates in the convention in addition to its president, James Duncan of Quincy, who is also a vice-president of the A. F. of L. The returns, therefore, show that Barre granitecutters are in the majority.

James Russell was one of the Quincy ballot, received here to-day, show that Mr. Will received 389 votes and that Mr. Russell polled 463 votes in that branch.

The annual convention of the A. F. of L. is to be held in Buffalo, N. Y., early in November. Among local granitecutters the Barre and Quincy ballots are regarded as being highly favorable to the candidacies of Messrs. Will and Russell. The number of cutters who voted in Barre yesterday does not represent a very large percentage of the union strength here, although it compares favorably with the average established by preceding ballots. Last year when Alderman Henry Alexander was one of the international delegates the registration at the polls was unusually large because members were also voting on a constitutional amendment.

SOME POINTS  
CLEARED UP

Apparently to the Satisfaction of City Council on Trolley Franchise

SOME CONCESSIONS  
BY THE CORPORATION

But Regulation and Are Much Moot Questions

Officials of the Barre Traction and Power Co. and city council met in another conference at city hall last evening, and the results of which have opened the door to continued negotiations and may lead to the sale of the present franchise for the proposed franchise which the citizens repudiated at the public meeting last Friday night. Some of the council men were in a trading mood and as the two parties to the proposed contract went down the line with the counter offer of the traction